

HB 27 -- TEXT MESSAGING WHILE DRIVING

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Currently, an individual 21 years of age or younger is prohibited from sending, reading, or writing a text or electronic message from a hand-held electronic wireless communications device while operating a moving motor vehicle on any highway in Missouri. This bill repeals that provision and prohibits anyone operating a noncommercial vehicle, regardless of age, from these activities unless the device being used is equipped with technology allowing for voice-recognition hands-free texting and is being used in that manner.